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SUBJECT: Management of DoD Locomotives

- References:
- (a) DoD 5025.1-M, "Directives System Procedures," April 1981, authorized by DoD Directive 5025.1, October 16, 1980
 - (b) DoD Instruction 4100.33, "Operation of Commercial and Industrial-Type Activities," February 25, 1980
 - (c) DoD Directive 4100.15, "Commercial and Industrial-Type Activities," February 4, 1980
 - (d) DoD Directive 5000.37, "Acquisition and Distribution of Commercial Products," September 29, 1978

A. PURPOSE

1. This Instruction provides DoD policy for management of locomotives, designates the Department of the Army as DoD point of contact for locomotive information, and assigns responsibilities for management of locomotives.

2. This Instruction authorizes the development and maintenance of DoD 4140.50-R, "Management and Standards of DoD Locomotives," consistent with reference (a).

B. APPLICABILITY

This Instruction applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Organization of Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to as "DoD Components").

C. POLICY

1. DoD and Commercial Locomotive Service. Availability and feasibility of using commercial service shall be evaluated as required by references (b) and (c) before a utility railroad operation is established at a DoD activity. In peacetime, locomotives shall be operated and maintained to provide for DoD logistics needs and essential training of personnel for emergency and wartime requirements. Military ownership shall be considered when dependable locomotive service from commercial sources is not physically or economically feasible.

2. Acquisition of Locomotives. When military ownership is considered necessary, standard commercially designed equipment shall be acquired in accordance with reference (d).

D. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Secretary of the Army shall:

a. Serve as executive agent for procurement of locomotives in the Department of Defense.

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b. Designate a point of contact for DoD locomotive management information.

c. Designate a representative to establish and chair an interservice locomotive management committee that shall conduct periodic reviews of locomotive management information and coordinate DoD Component locomotive replacement and distribution plans.

2. The DoD Point of Contact shall coordinate the development of DoD 4140.50-R, consistent with DoD 5025.1-M (reference (a)), implementing this Instruction and establishing locomotive usage standards; locomotive replacement criteria; and procedures for maintaining current information on location, age, condition, and usage of all locomotives in the Department of Defense.

3. Heads of DoD Components shall:

a. Designate a manager to maintain current information about all locomotives owned or contracted for, determine locomotive requirements, develop replacement plans, question retention of underused locomotives, and direct redistribution.

b. Designate representatives to serve on the interservice locomotive management committee.

c. Provide input to the Army-designated point of contact for central maintenance of information on location, age, condition, and usage of all locomotives in the Department of Defense.

E. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Instruction is effective immediately. Forward two copies of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics) within 180 days.

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